

Growing Together GREAT PLACES

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LOOKING GOOD!

You've been NOTICED by a BC CiB AMBASSADOR

We are launching a new initiative to recognize smaller communities and special places around the province. Every community has special gems that often go unnoticed or are under appreciated.

Photos from ambassadors will recognize a special green space or a community enhancing project. They will prepare a photo nomination that we would like to share in our newsletter.

Nominees will also be invited to submit a Great Places Showcase as a way to provide additional information about the place or project and to recognize the people who made it possible.

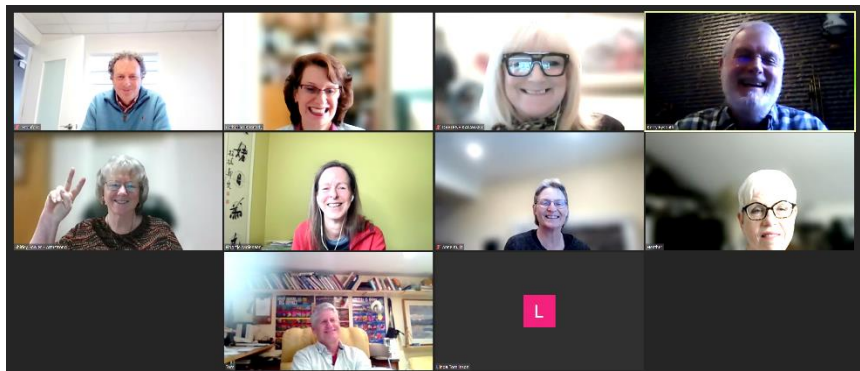
Attention BC Garden Clubs

This year BC CiB is offering a special opportunity to your club. Please check out the April and May issues of the **BC Council of Garden Club's** newsletter for this one-time offer.

2024 Board of Directors

The BC Communities in Bloom program would not be possible without the dedication and support of an amazing group of volunteers.

Thank you to Darlene Kalawsky who will step into the role of Chair this year. Kerry Bysouth will remain as Vice Chair. Floortje moves into the past Chair role. Treasurer Shirley Fowler, Secretary Linda Tomlinson, and the Directors at Large of Edward Stanford, Heather Doheny, Tom Meyer and Anne Kulla who was a judge last year and has also joined the board. **Please note our updated mailing address.**



Our AGM was held April 6, 2024 (r to l) Edward, Catherine, Darlene, Kerry, Shirley, Floortje, Anne, Heather, Tom and L (Linda 😊)

GROWING Great Places TOGETHER SHOWCASE PROGRAM

Showcase a Place or Project that is unique to your community.

Get recognition for special green spaces or community enhancing projects.
This is also a great opportunity to acknowledge volunteers and service groups.

How to Get Involved:

- Submit a Showcase Entry with 3 photos and a 250-word description.
- Register in the appropriate population category before Aug. 31, 2024

Details:

- All entries will be featured in the BC CiB Growing Together Newsletter, website and social media as they are received.
- All entries will receive special recognition and a frameable certificate if submitted before August deadline.
- **Prizes will be awarded for three outstanding submissions.**
- Photos must be from the 2024 season.
- Submit 3 of your best photos with full rights in high resolution (a minimum of 300dpi at print size or a minimum weight of 800kb). These photos will be used by BC Communities in Bloom for the promotion of your community and the BC CiB Program.



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CITY OF COQUITLAM – TREE SPREE EVENT as featured in the BC CiB Growing Together Newsletter Oct. 2022 issue.



LAKE COUNTRY GARDEN CLUB Xeriscape, Pollinator Garden with bug hotel project as featured in the BC CiB Growing Together Newsletter Aug 2023 issue.

To be recognized in this year's BC CiB Provincial Awards, please enter **before August 31**

CATEGORY		POPULATION	FEE	+ 5% GST
Individual Membership	1	1	\$20	(\$21.00)
Small OR Club/Group	2	up to 1000	\$50	(\$52.50)
Medium	3	up to 10,000	\$100	(\$105.00)
Large	4	up to 20,000	\$250	(262.50)
Ex-Large	5	20,000+	\$500	(\$525.00)

PROJECT NAME:

Name of Individual, Group or Municipality

City/Province/Postal Code:

Contact Person

Phone	Email (required)
Social Media/Facebook	Website

Please supply a Description (250 words Maximum) and three JPEG or TIFF photos (Ideally 1MB each)

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Living Wreaths by Heather Doheny

I have been busy creating Wreaths for the May 4 Kelowna Garden Club plant sale and one for the May 11 Lake Country Garden Club plant sale.

On June 1st I will do a Club Workshop to a group of 12 ladies from KGC, they need a photo of it for their newsletter to 'advertise' the class.

I have one more opportunity to share 'how to' on June 29 at the Kelowna Garden Club's Annual Flower Show at Guisichan Gardens. The event is open to the public and sounds like a lot of fun!

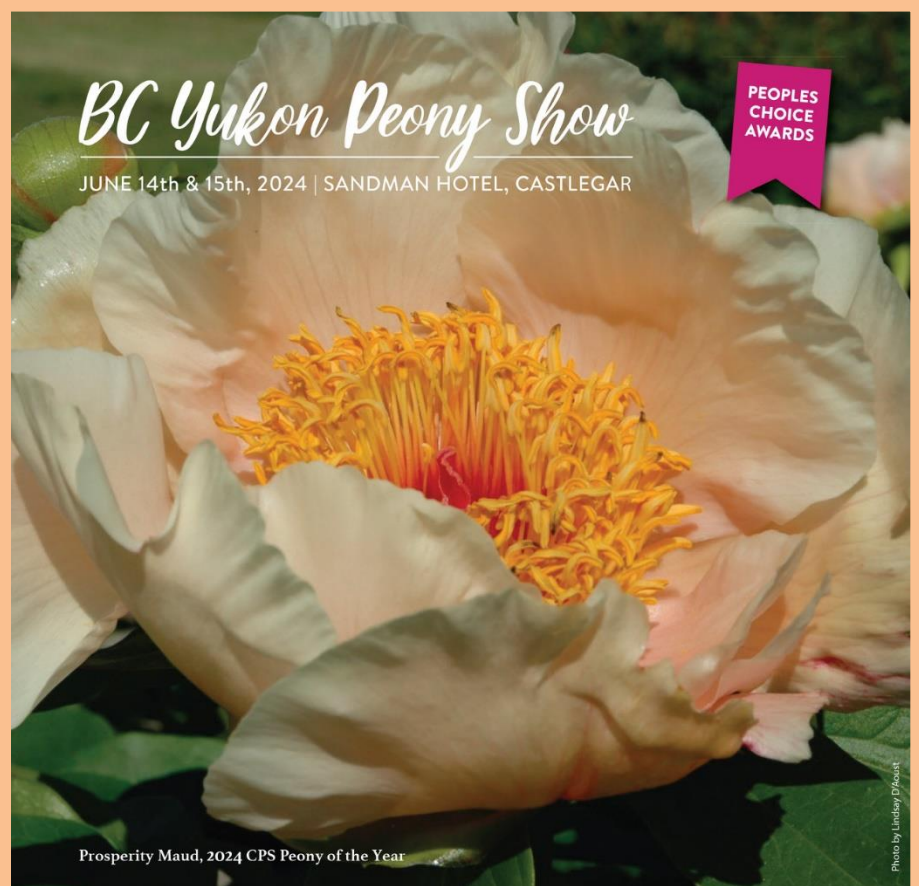
I have a couple of pansy wreaths done up for my own use. The one I am making today is with succulents.

For summer, I also do one with fibrous begonias and sometimes alpine strawberries. I've been making them for the past 20 years, I think. I appreciate the 'science side' of gardening but the creative and artistic side of me also needs an outlet.



PS that's 9-week-old Sally in the middle of the Begonias!

Castlegar is hosting this year's Peony Show - June 14-15 - [Link to website.](#)



SHOW OPENS (FREE)
Saturday, June 15th
10:00 am - 4:30 pm

FLORAL ENTRIES
June 14 - 1:00-6:30pm
June 15 8:30-9:30am

REGISTRATION & INFO
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PEONY WORKSHOPS
June 15, Pre-register

Peony 101: Peony Blooms
10:30 am

Peony 102: Peony Care
11:00 am

Chop Box
1:00 pm, Cost \$30